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[Despatch Abstract.]

Grants — Private Leprosy Institutions.

Capitation grants — Revised Conditions of ... issued.

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ABSTRACT

Grants-Private Leprosy institutions-Capitation grants-Revised conditions of grant-Issued.

Health Department

G.O.Ms.No.546 Health. Dated 19th February 1952

Read the following:

G.O.No.3027 Health, dated 29.8.1950.
From the Director of Medical Services, dated 13.10.1951, No.81608-5-B/51.

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ORDER:

The Government are paying capitation grants, based on the number of inpatients treated, to certain private leprosy institutions in the State towards their maintenance at the rate of Rs.9-0-0 per mensem for each in-patient whether adult or child who has contracted leprosy and Rs. 4-4-0 per mensem for each child under 16 years of age who has not contracted leprosy. The grants are disbursed quarterly subject to certain specified conditions. When the Government reviewed the work of the leprosy institutions in the State and laid down a definite policy and programme for the future, they decided that certain conditions of grant, should be imposed in keeping with the policy and programme of Government. The revised conditions were prescribed in G.O.No.3027 Health dated 29th August 1950. The Government have since then received many representations pointing out the administrative and other difficulties confronted by some of the leprosy institutions in conforming to the conditions of grant laid down by the Government. The Government have carefully examined the representations and have decided that, in supersession of the orders in G.O.No.3027 Health, dated 29th August 1950, the capitation grants should be paid to private leprosy institutions, if the revised conditions set out in appendix to this order are fulfilled by private leprosy institutions.

2. The Director of Medical Services is requested to communicate these orders to all the leprosy institutions concerned without delay.

(By order of etc., etc.)

S.R. Kaiwar,
Secretary to Government

To the Director of Medical Services.
" the Director of Public Health.
" the Honorary Secretary, Hindu Kusht Nivaran Sangh (Madras State Branch), 53, Edward Elliot Road, Mylapore.
" the Accountant-General, through Finance Dopartment.
Copy to 'Q' section, Health Department.
" to Collectors of districts.

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Revised conditions prescribed for the payment of capitation grants to private leprosy institutions

1. That the institution is generally maintained in a manner approved by the Government and adequate provision to their satisfaction is made for the medical treatment of the inmates, including reasonable provision for hospital wards, minor surgery and the treatment of acute illnesses.

2. That admissions are made irrespective of caste or creed, patients who are in a position to contribute towards their maintenance being required to do so. Preference should be given to natives of the State of Madras.

3. That only infective cases are treated as in-patients, to the fullest extent permitted by the accommodation available, and some separate and spare accommodation is maintained for new infective cases which may be spotted and sent to the institution.

Provided that non-infective patients may be treated as in-patients to the extent of 5 per cent of the accommodation available, if such accommodation is available after admitting all infective cases of in-patinets but that only cases of infective patients will be taken into account for the purposes of Government grant.

4. That qualified medical personnel trained in leprosy work are employed; the Medical Officers and Nurses should possess qualifications which are registrable under the Madras Medical Registration Act, 1944, or the Madras Nurses and Midwives Act, 1926, as the case may be.

5. (i) That Leprosy Institutions having not more than 50 patients may employ a visiting or a part time medical officer assisted by patients, trained as injectors or nurses provided the medical officer has had special training in leprosy work.

(ii) That Leprosy Institutions with more than 50 patients but not exceeding 100 may employ a full-time medical officer or a full-time Nurse provided that where there is only a full-time nurse there is also a visiting or a part-time medical officer duly trained in leprosy work and provided further that the need for the employement of a nurse may be dispensed with in institutions where there is a full-time medical officer trained in leprosy work.

(iii) that Leprosy Institutions with more than 100 but not more than 200 patients may employ a full-time medical officer duly qualified and trained in leprosy work, with the assistance of patients trained as injectors and Nurses to assist the medical officer.

(iv) that Leprosy Institutions where the patients exceed 200 but not 300 should be required to employ a full-time medical officer trained in leprosy work and a qualified nurse on full time basis.

(v) that leprosy institutions with more than 300 patients should employ two qualified full time medical officers trained in leprosy work and at least one nurse.

6. That Medical Officers attached to any institution are employed on a full-time basis except where special permission has been granted by Government for the employment of part-time personnel.

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7. That patients and ex-patients are trained as injectors to assist the Medical Officers in their routine work.

8. That a Children's section of adequate strength may be maintained, if possible.

9. That no discrimination is made between men and women in the matter of accommodation, treatment, work, etc. provided this rule shall not apply in the case of institutions which have been established for the admission and treatment of woman and children or both.

10. That the institution co-operates with Government in the matter of leprosy surveys in their neighbourhood, spotting of infective cases and preventive measures.

11. That the management does not interfere with the religious observances of the inmates who will be free to practise their own religions and perform their devotions in the manner to which they have been accustomed, provided that the performance does not involve offence to the religious feelings of other inmates and is not in any way subversive of discipline in the institution.

12. That the inmates are not encouraged to leave the institution without sufficient cause and that the institution is not made merely a comfortable sojourning place for leprosy patients in the course of their avocations.

13. That an Advisory Committee, consisting of the Collectors of the district as President, and the District Medical Officer, the District Health Officer, and the Superintendent of the institution as Members, is constituted and functions in accordance with the instructions issued by the Government from time to time.

14. That (in addition to the Director of Medical Services, the Deputy Director of Medical Services and the Honorary Secr of the Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh, Madras State Branch) the Dis trict Collector, the District Medical Officer, the District Health Officer, and the Municipal Health Officer, as official visitors, have full authority to satisfy themselves that the conditions of grant are being fulfilled.

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R Nagarajan 6.6.66
Superintendent
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